

Foundations Course

Course Goal:

Prepare novice hospital-based infection preventionists (IP) for the initial phase of their work and educate other healthcare staff on the basics of healthcare-associated infections (HAI), infection prevention strategies, and HAI surveillance.

This course is not intended to be a substitute for a full 5-day fundamentals course recommended for all new IPs, but rather a bridge until such a course can be attended.

Audience:

- New IPs who have not yet attended an Infection Prevention beginners or foundations course.
- Clinical staff with an interest in infection prevention or becoming part of the IP team.
- Staff from skilled nursing, long-term care, ambulatory surgery, dialysis centers, or others with infection prevention responsibilities.
- IPs returning to work after being out of the profession for an extended length of time.
- Hospital-based quality improvement staff, administrators, or managers interested in learning more about infection prevention strategies.

Primary Objectives:

- 1. Understand the clinical care practices for preventing central line associated bloodstream infection (CLABSI), urinary tract infection (UTI) and catheter associated UTI, pneumonia including ventilator associated pneumonia, surgical site infection (SSI), C. difficile infections (CDI).
- 2. Learn basic principles of infection surveillance and other core disciplines (e.g. microbiology, cleaning/sterilization/disinfection, environmental services, adult learning principles) necessary to perform the job of an IP.

Course Dates and Locations:

October 26-27, 2011	Delano, CA, Delano Hospital
October 26-27, 2011	Grass Valley, CA, Sierra Nevada Memorial Hospital
November 1-2, 2011	Redding, CA, Mercy Medical Center
November 1-2, 2011	Watsonville, CA, Watsonville Community Hospital
November 1-2, 2011	Richmond, CA, California Department of Public Health
November 15-16, 2011	Eureka, CA, St. Joseph Hospital
November 15-16, 2011	San Luis Obispo, CA, Sierra Vista Regional Medical Center
November 15-16, 2011	Turlock, CA, Emanuel Medical Center
November 15-16, 2011	Mission Viejo, CA, Mission Hospital
November 15-16, 2011	Palm Springs, CA, Desert Regional Medical Center
November 17-18, 2011	Los Angeles, CA, Good Samaritan Hospital

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